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PERMSELECTIVE MEMBRANE MODULE

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1723

Examiner
Ana M. Fortuna

Applicant hereby **appeals** to the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences from the decision of the examiner.

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SECOND NOTICE OF APPEAL

Sir:

All finally rejected claims in the decision of the Examiner dated **August 27, 2002**, are hereby appealed to the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences.

This is the second appeal filed in this case, following the September 11, 2001 re-opening of the case for further prosecution following the filing of Applicants' first Appeal Brief. The Applicants believe no fees are due, consistent with the direction provided in The Manual of Patent Examining Procedure, § 1208.02, which notes, in pertinent part, that "if prosecution was reopened prior to a decision on the merits ... the fee paid for the notice of appeal, appeal brief, and request for oral hearing (if applicable) will be applied to a later appeal on the same application."

Notwithstanding the Applicants' belief that no fee is due for the filing of this Notice, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge payment of any additional fees and/or patent application processing fees required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.16 and § 1.17 or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 11-0600.

Respectfully submitted,


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